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In early October 1950 a long train loaded with Soviet youths of military appearance was observed at a railroad siding in Tientsin. The train was guarded by police and all of the passengers remained in the cars. They all wore poor-fitting civilian clothes of inferior quality and carried concealed firearms of a heavy caliber. It was assumed that they had just arrived from the Northeast.

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Comment. paragraph 4, and references for later reports of Soviet troops in Hopeh, Shantung, and Kiangsu.

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